# "Where in the World are American Spaces?"



Project Title	"Where in the World are American Spaces?"
Project Summary	Wiki the world about the State Department's American Spaces, which hosted over 44 million visitors worldwide in 2016, engaging foreign audiences in their hometowns, and making many friends for the USA, along the way
Country	United States
Agency	Department of State
DoS Office	IIP/PL/AS
Post	N/A
Section	N/A
Number of Interns	4

### **Project Description**

The Office of American Spaces seeks aspiring writers with an engaging style and research skills to document the program's story for Wikipedia. The effort will involve extensive research on various databases and search engines for articles, publications, and book chapters. Many of these sources can be found online, but they may be elusive, and while State Department official sources will play a part, they should be used sparingly. We want our story to be told in the most objective way possible.

Our current marketing material will be provided, but only as an overview, not a source. The intern will need to be careful to reference factual statements. Wikipedia is critical of opinion-type statements, or those without citations. This may be tedious, but we ask that interns please follow the Wikipedia protocol and template. The history of American Spaces is long and varied. They have had many names over the years, from USIS Libraries to Binational Centers and American Centers. The term "American Spaces" is essentially a State Department internal term, not commonly used externally. The term "American Corners" has probably been most popular, and will generate more listings. Please check multiple sources, as there may be conflicting, and possibly inaccurate information. We can provide a list of sources as well as some source documents to use as a starting point.

#### **Desired Skills Interests**

### **Additional Information**

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## **Language Requirements**

None